के संबंध में नियमों में छूट दिये जाने के बारे में कोई आदेश जारी किए हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम) : (क) सरकार को मध्य प्रदेश राज्य सरकार से उसके विरुद्ध कुछ प्रतिकूल रिपोर्ट प्राप्त हुई हैं और महाराष्ट्र तथा मध्य प्रदेश राज्य सरकारों से इस मामले में आगे पूछताछ की जा रही है।

(ख) जी नहीं, श्रीमन् !

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Tension on Jammu border

1587. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there was tension on the Jammu border as a result of massing troops across the border line by Pakistan during the last week of February and first half of March during this year;

(b) whether it is a fact that the civil population suffered a heavy loss as a result thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the State Government has announced in the Assembly that the Centre is being requested to give compensation to the sufferers; and

(d) if so, what is the response from the Central Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) to (d) The information is being collected from the Government of Jammu and Kashmir and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Complaints regarding competition among tea exporters

1588. SHRI KAPIL VERMA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to State :

(a) whether Government have taken any action on complaints that certain tea exporters indulged in unfair competition among themselves by undercutting export prices; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the complaints received and what action has been taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) At the invitation of the Tea Board a delegation from Iran visited India during June-July, 1986. During their visit the delegation met various exporters and held direct negotiations with them for purchase of bulk and packet tea. Under the provisions of Tea (Regulation of Export Licensing) Order, 1984 contracts for export of bulk tea are required to be registered with Tea Board within 11 days from date of such contracts. For packet tea exporters are required to obtain shipment licences from the Tea Board. There is no minimum export price for export of tea. No tea has been exported below the contracted price against the contract till March, 1987 with the Government Trading Corporation of Iran.

Expulsion of Kenyan Students suspected of AIDS

1589. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:
SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have recently expelled from the country some Kenyan students suspected

of AIDS and that the Kenyan Government have shown their resentment and have demanded an explanation from the Government of India;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) whether students from any other country have been expelled on similar grounds and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) There has been no expulsion of any foreign student from India. A very limited number of students from Kenya and some other countries found to be suffering from AIDS have returned to their countries with the full cooperation and understanding of the Governments concerned.

Pension to freedom fighters

1590. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of applications for pension under the Freedom Fighters' Pension Scheme and Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme disposed of so far and how many such applications are still pending; and

(b) the number of persons who are getting such pensions under these two categories at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) and (b) Out of 4,46,062 applications received under the "Freedom Fighters' Pension Scheme" renamed as "Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme" in 1980, 4,41-184 cases have been disposed of so far. Only 4878 cases are pending as on 31-3-1987. Out of these 4878 cases, 2927 cases relate to Hyderabad Merger Movement and another 1900 cases relate to Arya Samaj Movement which are to be processed by the Non-Official Committee. Remaining 951 cases are under consideration of the Ministry. 1,41,840 persons have been granted pension under the Scheme, so far.

Infiltration from Bangladesh and Pakistan

1591. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been any reports of recent infiltration from Bangladesh and Pakistan into the States of West Bengal, Orissa, Tripura, Manipur, Bihar, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Punjab and Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to check such infiltration and whether it is a fact that through such infiltration several types of arms and gold are being smuggled into the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) While Government are aware of some infiltrators coming over to India from Bangladesh and Pakistan, there are no reports of any large scale infiltration. During the period from 1-1-1987 to 31-3-87, 14,330 infiltrators were apprehended by the BSF on West Bengal and Tripura borders out of which 13,900 were pushed back. The remaining 430 were handed over to State Police for taking necessary action under the law. Similarly 717 infiltrators were apprehended on J&K, Punjab, Rajasthan and Gujarat borders during this period, out of which 348 were pushed back. The remaining 369 were handed over to State Police authorities for taking necessary action. Orissa, Manipur and Bihar do not have border with Bangladesh or Pakistan.

(c) The BSF on Indo-Bangladesh border is constantly on the alert. The Gov-